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# NSA Documents Released to the Public Since June 2013

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The ACLU and others have long suspected that the National Security Agency is relying on its authority to target foreigners abroad as a useful cover for its sweeping surveillance of Americans' communications. Those suspicions were proven true when, on June 5, 2013, The Guardian released the first in a series of documents detailing the NSA's spying activities. Listed below are all of the documents released since that day, both by the media (denoted in blue) and the government (denoted in red). Together, they have triggered a remarkable and long-overdue public debate about the legality and propriety of the government's surveillance practices.

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